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Letter dated 16 May 2006 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

The members of the Security Council have agreed to establish an ad hoc committee on mandate review to conduct the review of Security Council mandates called for by Heads of State and Government in the 2005 World Summit Outcome Document (General Assembly resolution 60/1) and to follow up on the recommendations contained in your report, "Mandating and Delivering" (A/60/733 and Corr.1). They have also agreed that Permanent Representatives of Slovakia and the United States will serve as co-chairs of the Committee for the duration of the process.

The members of the Security Council are of the view that mandate review would strengthen the Security Council's efforts to promote international peace and security and thereby contribute to the effectiveness of the United Nations as a whole.

The members of the Security Council would welcome the participation of a senior member of your staff in relevant meetings of the Committee to answer questions on those aspects of your report that specifically relate to Security Council mandates. In addition, the members of the Security Council would appreciate continued assistance of the Secretariat in providing substantive services throughout the process of mandate review.

(*Signed*) Basile **Ikouebe**
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